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By-products of Spring Cleaning



THE other week we exhumed—and that's the right word—a large carton of old philatelic periodicals and pricelists from the depths of a closet where spring house cleaning had not extended the past few years. The assortment was varied and full of surprises in almost forgotten episodes and trends in the hobby. Near the top of the dusty accumulation was a 1914 edition of the late Francois Fournier's pricelist brazenly offering hundreds of his facsimiles. The man even bragged therein of the medals awarded his firm at various European fairs and exhibitions. For many years, as older collectors will recall, Fournier flooded philately from his Swiss manufactory. Other pricelists indicated the forgotten accumulator of this miscellany had received mail of a wide variety. There were the "Bi-Monthly Journals" for which H. E. Harris was once so well known, lists of that firm known to every Junior of an earlier generation: The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. and Number Two of the Uptown Stamp Co.'s Bulletin. The latter, dated January 1925 and offering such items as blocks of 3c Victory and 16 1918 airmails at 20c and \$1 respectively. Friend Stryker could have a dandy auction today with the same material so casually offered then.

The older collectors can recall when Chinese Treaty Ports had their last fling at Philately's fickle appetite, the miniature paper-covered Scott Catalog of Locals which lumped together in its few pages the oddly assorted U. S. Locals, Chinese Treaty Ports and Philippine Aguinaldos. The 1912 and 1914 editions of this forgotten catalog lay between the somewhat more familiar red-cover priced auction catalogs of Eugene Klein. The prices recorded would only make you feel sorry you hadn't been among the successful bidders then, so we won't taunt you with what in 1941 seem give-away prices, but which in 1927 were probably reckoned as being high realizations.

The numerous short-lived philatelic periodicals as represented at most usually by two or three copies remind that more journals have been started for this hobby than any other and that most died quickly. Our Bureau of Statistics (its under direction of the bearded gent depicted in The Answer Is) advises that LWSN by reaching the age of 12 has outlived the average philatelic periodical by 11 years and 7 months. The Bureau was hesitant about that particular bit of statistics as some of its staff veered toward making the figure 11 years and 11 months.

A file of Scott's Monthly Journal of the 1920s decade showed it to be just as informative then as now. Kent B. Stiles was providing, as he still does, much of the background data on new issues. John N. Luff was the big shot and Hugh M. Clark was writing letters apparently to John N. with suggestions, one of these epistles being printed around 1922 or so.

We suppose more than one serious attempt at spring house cleaning has bogged down when the stamp collector of the house stumbled on such a forgotten accumulation as the above. It is not unlikely that more ancient philatelic literature has been read in attics and basements than in any library. Which after all is perfectly proper, for a dusty attic provides just the right sort of philatelic atmosphere to lean back in that wornout easy chair and read of finds of other days, alas always in OTHER attics.

—R. R.

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Hail Columbia!

By CHARLES DINGUS

MAJORIE has certainly changed my ideas about lots of things—especially stamps. And blondes. I always thought it was a nit-witted person, like grand-daddy who collected stamps and stuff. But not Majorie. Majorie has good sense and blonde hair—not that the hair has anything to do with it, you understand. When I found out that Majorie collected stamps I was ready to start looking for someone else but she is a darned good skater, dancer, and a swell sport—and she doesn't seem to think about stamps all the time.

But the first time I was down to her house the just about snowed me under. She dug out three or four books and lectured about "perforations, color shades, commemoratives, bi-colors and regular issues going to make up most of the stamp varieties." And there was one stamp she called a "sesquicentennial commemorative" but it looked just like any other to me.

Then she ran her arm through mine and laid her head on my shoulder. "I get a big kick out of going through mixtures trying to find some new stamps for my collection," she said. I swallowed hard, melted down and decided to humor her. I wasn't going to let it get out of bounds like with grand-daddy but I'd humor her anyway.

Grand-daddy was sort of weak minded in his old age. Every time he got a little money he put it into something that later proved to be worthless. Like oil stocks. And money in Cuban sugar plantations before the Spanish-American war. And stamps. He spent a lot on stamps—the valueless kind. But as I said, grand-daddy was sort of feeble minded in his old age.

"Mixture" didn't mean a whole lot to me so I tried to buy one at the postoffice. The guy there must have been a stamp collector for he gave me a broad smile and told me to go to the Grimes Stamp Store.

I went. Majorie calls Grimes an Elsie-like dealer. She says that he is a big time stamp dealer in our little town. I wouldn't know about that, but I laid five bucks on the line for a big sack of "mixture." Mixture seemed to be not one stamp but many. They ought to keep Majorie happy a long time.

Then I got to thinking. Grand-daddy bought some United States stamps to celebrate some event or another back in the nineties. Not that I remember it; I didn't come on the scene until later. But I've seen the stamps. They are so high priced that we couldn't use them for postage without having a lot left over.

The best I could remember, they were in a trunk in the attic at home. I'd just go get them and give my little blonde a real present.



They were in the attic and I found them after a certain length of time—twenty black stamps with a picture of Columbus on them and for the value of five dollars each. All told they showed where grand-daddy had given away one hundred of his dollars.

That would make a nice present for Majorie. But I considered again. I don't know Majorie too well—so maybe I ought to sell all but one or two of the stamps and give her the remainder. Besides, that would give me a little spending money—and I could use some. I didn't tear the stamps apart, just stuck them in a big notebook and hopped over to the Grimes Stamp Store.

The kid in the Grimes store took one look, swallowed, and called Grimes. Grimes looked them over and mumbled something about "perfectly centered specimens on full gum" and asked me did I want to sell them. I said that was the general idea.

First thing I knew I had a check for a thousand bucks and Majorie would have to just get along without any five dollar Columbians. I expended five and a quarter on five dollars for more "mixture" and two-bits for a notebook. Hereafter, I'm going to make a few notes on what she says.

Grand-daddy wasn't so dumb after all.

World Wide At St. Louis

Ernest G. Jarvis, President of the World-Wide Philatelic Society has announced the annual exhibition and bourse will be held at St. Louis, Mo. Oct. 29 to November 2 inclusive, with headquarters at the De Soto Hotel. Henry O. Noss, of St. Louis and well known as former President of the Precancel Stamp Society is General Chairman. C. N. A. "Dee" De Bajligethy of Tulsa will have charge of foreign exhibits while Ben Nevison of Detroit will be "Traveling Ambassador of Good Will."

Chairman of the Exhibition is Walter J. Vredenburg, 3339 Belt Ave., St. Louis. John Mayne, 4724 Milentz Ave. is in charge of the Bourse. The 250 frame exhibition will be set up on the 15th and 16th floors of the hotel, space also being provided for 35 bourse tables.

Sign of the Times

The May Bulletin of the Rubber City Stamp Club wound up with this little couplet (?) to fill out some spare space:

"Shed a tear for Minnie, the vamp;
For now her "Hank" must go to camp."

Marine Detachment, Trinidad

With a postmark of a style recalling those of the days of occupation of Nicaragua, a cover arrived courtesy of Carl C. Smith of Thomasville, Ga. with the postmark of the Marine Detachment at Trinidad. Format is same as the naval cancels with "MARINE DET. TRINIDAD" in the circle and between the bars "BRITISH/WEST INDIES." Mr. Smith used appropriately enough a set of Defense stamps.

Dies and Plates Escape

Despite the fact that stamp printing plants in England were reported damaged seriously in the first great fire blitz attack, the *Philatelic Trader* of London states that all reports of loss or damage to plates and dies are unfounded as these escaped damage. Therefore there will be no new issues caused by such destruction. It is impossible to engrave a new die exactly duplicating a destroyed one. New plates are easily made as long as original die is intact.

The provisionals from Bahamas, Bermuda, Ceylon, etc. are occasioned by local shortages of stamps or delays in arrival of new supplies occasioned by loss at sea of stamp shipments.

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212 2c	.20	.02	.01
213 3c	1.20	1.25	.75
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348,000 Bermuda Provisionals

A market note in the *Philatelic Magazine* indicates that the excessive speculation in the Bermuda 1/4d on 1d provisional was unwarranted. 5,800 sheets of 60, or a total of 348,000 stamps were issued between the first day, December 20 and January 21 when the stamps were withdrawn. The stamp had as its principal intended use the prepayment of the rate on local Christmas cards, a mail that increased heavily due to the presence of a reputed 700 censors brought to the island to examine U. S. mails which are turned over for examination by American shippers and postal authorities ever since the first were obtained at bayonet point from a Clipper. The 1/4d had no use on ordinary mail as higher denomination stamps were plentiful.

Cacheteers, Attention

We are advised that our notice on page 373 (April 12) of a Hawaiian cachet was incorrect in that the cachet director states he must be supplied the cover, and not just the stamps. We printed this on basis of information from what we had hitherto found a reliable source. Will readers and cachet directors please be more careful in the future as we find more errors in advance information about cachets than anything else sent us for publication. Pertinent information such as a charge for the cachet is often omitted and this causes complaint to us. We will omit from publication in future those notices of cachets handled by groups careless in publicity information.

General Government Of Poland

Philatelists curious as to the workings of the General Government of Poland which issues so many postage stamps would be interested in an article "The 'Master Race' in Action" which appeared in the April 27th *New York Times Magazine*. This is the part of Poland which was not incorporated as an outright part of the Reich, but was intended to be an affiliated state much as Slovakia is. The Poles refused offers of puppet status, so the present unique government is the result. Germans staff the postal service except for minor positions, and the postage stamps are German creations. Since nothing is permitted to be published or discussed in regard to the former Polish state, Polish history etc. the stamps of the republic would be under suspicion. The works of Sienkiewicz, who was depicted on a Polish stamp, have been banned. Wawel Castle at Cracow, a national shrine, has become a part of the barracks of the German officers. Other places and scenes recalled by Polish stamps have been similarly affected.

● The first inter-American postal conference took place in Bogota, Colombia (New Granada) in 1838 and was attended by representatives of Colombia, Venezuela and Ecuador who drew up a convention which was ratified during the following year by those countries.

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France 20 Fr. Pictorial (1)* 50
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U. S. Auction Prices

Edited by

W. L. BABCOCK

2945 6th Ave. No., St. Petersburg, Fla.

Uptown Stamp Company, 52nd Auction Sale, held April 19, 1941 at 140 West 42nd Street, New York City. A 10c #29, on cover, fine margins tied blue grid @ \$26.00; 5c #499b, error on cover tied Macon, Ga. with three copies #499, very neat and unusual @ \$18.75; 5c #76, used with "six pointed star" V. F. @ \$4.25; 3c #158 with "grinning mask" @ \$4.50; 10c #188 with "green heart" @ \$3.75; 12c #36, used L. C., V. F. (\$12.50) @ \$9.50; 10 well centered used copies of 2c black jack #73 @ \$5.90; 24c #99 L. C., V. F. (\$30.00) @ \$18.00; 30c #131, no gum but fine appearance @ \$20.00; 90c #132 O. G. & V. F. @ \$41.00; 6c #137 used, blue C. V. F. (\$13.50) @ \$7.50; \$1.00 #241 L. C., V. F. (\$20.00) @ \$13.75; 2c #279c O. G. V. F. (\$10.00) @ \$5.10. The set of three Zeppus #C13-C15, O. G. V. F. @ \$27.50.

H. R. Harmer, Inc., Auction Sale of April 28-29, 1941 at 32-34 East 57th Street, New York City. This sale included a few select covers U. S. regular issues, principally 19th and early 20th century, and 310 lots of essays and proofs. Most of the covers were combination covers including a few large envelopes. The entire Columbian issue on one cover to Germany, cover slightly torn, all lightly cancelled except the \$3.00 and \$5.00, the 15c with S. E., error and fine @ \$98.00; \$32d, horiz. pair, deep shade, wide margins showing part of joining stamp at bottom and on two sides, faint blue pmk., very attractive (\$13.50) @ \$10.50; 10c #50 in a sup. hor. strip of 3 L. C. centered, red canc. @ full catalogue; the 12c block #51, O. G. fine @ \$6.50; 90c #122, slightly O. C., L. C. v. f. @ half Cat. \$3.00 Columbian #243, O. G. v. f. @ \$24.00, and the \$3.00 and \$4.00 used centered @ \$32.00; 5c Jamestown O. G., brilliant block of 6 nearly centered @ \$19.00; 5c rose block of 12, #499b, with 2-5c errors in middle, O. C. & S. E. at bottom, @ \$30.00; 2 blocks of 9 with single error @ \$15.00 and \$14.00 respectively; also a block of 4 same @ \$11.00; \$5.00 #524 marginal block of 4 with plate No. and part of arrow @ \$21.50; another block of 4 same, O. C. @ \$21.00. The essays listed by Mason's types brought good prices, the 1861 and 1869 leading the lots. In the proofs some

of the early trial colors of 1851-61 brought excellent prices, as did complete sets of the Bank Note Plate proofs on India. The best prices were had for the Atlanta trial color proofs, several of which sold well over half catalogue in the 1869 group.

Eugene Klein, 124th Auction Sale, held April 15, 1941 at 212 South 13th street, Philadelphia. Sale consisted largely of the Laurance Bowen collection. 5c New York horiz. pair, white paper, lightly p. c. on cover to Detroit (\$200.00) @ \$150.00; 2c Jackson #73b, R. vert. half with adhering joining stamp as a 3c tied by target, "ideally fine cover," Bainbridge, Pa. (\$500.00) @ \$232.50; 5c #28 in horiz. pair, large margins near Cat. @ \$40.00; 10c type II v. f. @ \$4.50 and same in type III (35b) @ \$4.25; 1c type II, #41 red carrier, (\$12.00) @ \$8.00; 1c type III Plate IV #42a, over Cat. @ \$72.00; 10c type I #49 (\$35.00) @ \$26.00; 3c Lake, O. G. fresh and v. f. (\$60.00) @ \$43.50; 3c #79, grilled all over, fine appearance @ \$31.00; 12c #85e, v. f. used, near Cat. @ \$31.50; 2c grill, #135 O. G., fine, (\$10.00) @ \$5.00; 12c #140 end roller, grill, (\$100.00) @ \$90.00; 30c #143, grill, v. f. used (\$65.00) @ \$42.00; 6c #186 O. G., v. f. (\$9.00) @ full Cat. The imperforates of 1890 in pairs sold well. The 30c and 90c selling near Cat. @ \$96.00 and \$126.00 respectively. \$1.00 black #261a type II O. G., fine @ \$27.00; 6c #271a, with clear R wmk., used, @ \$96.00; same in the 8c #272a @ \$9.50. In offices in China the \$2.00 on \$1.00 #K 16a, double surcharge on large piece of cover, v. f. (\$65.00) @ \$36.00. This was an unusual sale of high class material. Few lots offered were catalogued under \$10.00.

Anglo-American Stamp

A member of the British parliament gave notice early in April he would ask the British postmaster general if he would consider advisability of issuing a joint Anglo-American stamp in association with United States postal authorities, "as a symbol of unity between them." Failure of the proposal is inevitable as there are so many obstacles in politics, public sentiment, manner of issuance etc. that a stamp valid in both countries would not be practical.

● A post office has been ordered established on June 1 at Camp Polk as a branch of Leesville, La. These additional naval branches were ordered established in May, Naval Reserve Radio and Signal School, Los Angeles, Calif.; Section Base 3, Charleston, S. C.; and Naval Mine Warfare School and Experimental Mine Sweeping Group, Yorktown, Va. The latter by including that long name promises to be unusual in postmarks.

● The words "fou" and "sen" mean in Chinese "town," the former simply being applied to larger towns. To meet apparent growth in the town of Yunnan, the change in overprints from Yunnansen to Yunnan-Fou is found on the issues for the French post office for the Chinese town.

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11.....22	57.....35	O21......25
12.....75	58......60	O24.....2.00
13.....1.75	59.....2.25	O52.....1.75
14.....20	60.....7.25	O69......75
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THE PRINTS AND THE PAUPER.

It may be well for folks within the New York area to be rather cautious when proffered lots of the Kansas-Nebraska overprints. One learns that an over-zealous individual has been peddling same to some dealers, and that the culprit has been masquerading under assumed names.

ESSEX STAMP CLUB.

The illustrious William C. (Vic) Webb has been one New Jerseyite philatelist who has totaled more than twenty years of good will stamp collecting to his credit. Among his arduous duties is the pleasure-some task of acting in many capacities for the Essex Stamp Club in Newark, New Jersey. The Essex Stamp Club organized a little more than a year ago has prominently forged its way to the fore among some of the important organizations here in the East. They meet every Tuesday evening in the Newark Athletic Club.

EIGHTY YEARS YOUNG.

Pop Kunze is pretty well known as a precancel collector, and also as a member of the Bronx County Stamp Club. He probably began his stamp collecting hobby long before many of us were around to register, for as the title of this paragraph implies, Pop is eighty years young, and proud of being designated as a philatelic constituent who keeps young and happy via the stamp route.

WAR COVER CLUB.

A documentary phase of stamp collecting is well represented by The War Cover Club. A meeting was held during the Bipex Stamp Exhibition, and Bill Montgomery displayed much of his material before members of the group and interested visitors. Maxwell Halpern is rather modest about his share of the collecting fervor, as are many of the other members. A New York chapter has been inaugurated, and at this writer's suggestion, their purpose soon to campaign for a stamp to be issued in honor of the unknown soldier.

DUNNING AND COLLECTING.

Charles Laurentz had a group of Christmas Seal collectors in guffaws a few evenings ago, when he related some of the ex-

periences of his recent travels. Charlie stopped off to visit with Dunning in Wilmington, Delaware, and rates the benign collector as an exceptional host. The whimsical treat was revealed when the narrator told of how Dunning awakens his guests for breakfast in the morning, by way of a rather clamorous buzzer fastened beneath the bed.

STAMP DEALERS LOCATED AT EXTREMES

Many stamp collectors are acquainted with the stamp shop caged in the subway arcade, just as one emerges from the train platform on the way up to the Nassau street level. The highest point established in contrast, we think, are the splendidly equipped offices of the Homan Krassa Company, Inc., perched high up in the French building on Fifth Avenue.

PRECANCEL ROUND-UP.

Precancel collectors turned out in amazing numbers to be present at their annual conclave which was held this year in the Cornish Arms Hotel in twenty-third street near Eighth Avenue. Precancel folks from many distant points were present and enjoying such a fest as only enthusiasts can truly manifest. Art Bates who is now in the Navy, took time off to exchange greetings. Mrs. Bates and Mrs. Dick Beck assisted in welcoming guests as they arrived. Many of the tables whereon collectors swapped and transacted business deals were quite busy in a very serious manner. Stephen Rich, Amy Lewis and Phil Robbins were but a few of the many reliables well known in that phase of stamp collecting.

BLOWING A HORN.

The W. C. Horn Bro. and Company organization of Newark, New Jersey, have five years to go yet before they celebrate one hundred years in business. They are manufacturers of autograph albums, diaries, and many items in the kindred lines. W. C., is somewhat of a stamp fancier, and so a few years ago he rather studiously fashioned a few suitable items in albums which they have been selling to the stationery trade. Recently they introduced a 'Plas-stick-mount' which has kept them busy filling orders to the trades buying it for many diversified uses. They had planned on placing the novelty before the philatelic trade, but have

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EVEN AS WE SPEAK.

The ever-changing tide of affairs is very aptly translated by soft-spoken Raymond Gram Swing who speaks via radio from coast-to-coast. From his pictures he pretty well resembles Alexander Woolcott, albeit his tone of voice is also very much the same. Our recommendation to stamp collectors is that they open their albums during the Raymond Gram Swing programme, and study the stamps and other data while they listen in detail to whatever topic may be discussed regarding the particular country and its problems.

IMMINENT AUCTIONS.

R. J. Lewinson Company located on West End Avenue shows promise of a rather interesting auction in this their eleventh mail sale of United States postage stamps due soon. Lewinson is a devotee of Postal Stationery, and quite a collector of the material. Mike Karen of the Radio Stamp Shop is also scheduled to launch forth with his first auction sale of United States and Possessions. Catalogs furnished by them on request.

THE GUEST OF HONOR.

It took Edgar Guest to write the catchy homily about 'It takes a heap of living in a place to call it home' and it prescribes a rather infectious dogma for many a stamp collector's domain. Women who complain that their stamp collector husbands are cluttering up the living room tables with stampic matter, and that their for-better-or-worse partners are too engrossed in philately for silly reasons, should be reminded of the above poem, and they justly be cautioned that a man busy with philately has little time for gallivanting, whether it be drinking, gambling or just plain looking for trouble. Every man busy with stamps at home, should at least certify there's one less wife worried about her husband's whereabouts.

COIN TOPICS.

The Coin Collector's Journal published by Wayte Raymond, Inc., is quite an informative media for collectors interested in data and unusual details surrounding numismatic material. The fact that coin collecting is so closely allied with philately makes many of the articles found in the publication doubly entertaining in both hobby fields.

MONKEY-SHINES.

A certain stamp collector recognized a few of the featured stars in the circus as very similar in appearance to the characters

on the stamps of Liberia and Nyassa. He meandered over to the gate-man and informed the custodian that he would like to go in and see his cousin in the circus. "Who's ya cousin?" asked the ticket-taker. "Gargantua, the Gorilla!" replied the philatelist without batting an eye-ball! "Okay!" came the reply, "Wait here, and I'll send him out to take a look at you!" P. S.—He saw the circus via his stamp album.

JUST AROUND THE CORNER.

M. J. Stern of Beekman street, and just around the corner from the Nassau street dealer mart, is an affable speculator in wholesale stamp material. He has been rather modestly mentioned as quite a reliable authority on market values involved in quantities of stamps.

Auction Calendar

May 20—Mail Sale of U. S. and Br. North America. Fred E. Farnham, 1123 Lafayette Bldg., Detroit, Michigan.

May 20—Second portion Browne estate. H. Wendt, Waverly, Iowa.

May 20—General foreign. L. Kusmierz, 6555 Willette, Detroit, Michigan.

May 24—U. S. and General. Herman Herst, Jr., 116 Nassau St., New York City.

June 2-3—General Collection. H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32-34 E. 57th St., New York City.

June 6—Specialty Auction. F. R. Ferryman, 505 Fifth Ave., New York.

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ON MAY 8 WE RECEIVED A NOTICE of a first flight on May 12 from Seattle, Wash. to Vancouver, B. C. Our issue of May 10 was already on the press and in process of being mailed, so will first flight enthusiasts please note.

THE FORMER CHIEF POSTMASTER OF Tonga and present head of the Tongan Fund for the Red Cross sent the KenMore Stamp Co. six Tongan covers which that firm is auctioning to the highest bidder via the May KenMore Collector.

WHOEVER ORDERS THE POSTMARKING stamps is not trying to create less warlike atmosphere in these disUnited States. We note new navy offices are being supplied with ones reading simply "U. S. Navy" a la World War I. The army has already begun styling its "A. P. O." just as in 1918.

THE RETREAT OF THE CORONATIONS is over it would seem at last. The *Philatelic Trader* notes that in a big wholesale auction of Harmer, Rooke & Co. in late March the complete sets of Colonies and Dominions brought 17 pounds, an average of 34/- a set as against other recent sales averages of 27/6 or less.

AS ADOLPH KLINGENSTEIN HASN'T sent in any Fire Sale ads for the Rialto Stamp Co. we assume that his store and stock weren't even scorched in the threatened holocaust at that city when the wastelands recently had their spectacular forest fire.

INSTALLMENT BUYING HAS NOW ENTERED the stamp auction field it seems. A catalog received the other week includes a form by which successful bidders can make weekly remittances until entire purchase price is paid.

CHRISTIAN L. DULL OF PHILADELPHIA evidently gets most of his work done in

the summer and to insure a minimum of interruptions does something few dealers have dared try. C. L. announces that during the summer one of his two offices will be open only on Mondays.

The Forum

Lima, Ohio
April 26, 1941

Linn's Weekly Stamp News,
Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

In several issues in the immediate past you have printed the expressions of some of our readers on the subject of removing the gum from unused U. S.

Along this same line of thought let me mention that in many collections we find both the gummed and ungummed "Farleys." In my own collection after just this short time there is some difference in the appearance of these two types. Perhaps in other collections there is not yet any noticeable difference. However, if in such a short time it makes a difference, I think it high time to take steps to prevent any deterioration in other stock.

Jack Youmans

Hamburg, N. Y.,
April 27, 1941

"U. S. Notes" Editor,
Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

Sir:

In connection with the additional matter anent the "F" plate numbers supplied by W. C. Witte of Trenton, N. J. as given in your column in the last issue of Linn's may I, in the interest of accuracy, make the following explanation?

Under the supervision of Mr. Frank Martie of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, printing plates which have become softened by constant use are hardened by heat-treating the plates to a predetermined hardness. Mr. Martie tests the plate with a Scleroscope, not "to see that the treatment has shortened the steel plate no more than .02 of an inch in the direction of the grain," but to see that the plate has the required hardness.

A Scleroscope is a device for measuring the hardness of the plate only. If it becomes necessary to determine any loss in length of the plate this must be done by any of the common instruments for measurement of length such as a footrule, vernier calipers, or similar instruments.

Now that we know definitely the significance of the "F" in front of plate numbers the above explanation may clarify the entire matter for those whose interest goes further into the matter and who are interested in the heat-treating and subsequent testing of the printing plates.

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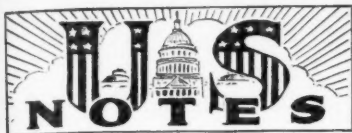
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A checklist of Booklet covers is being readied for publication by the Bureau Issues Association. It will list the numerous types of booklet covers which have been used since booklet panes were introduced in 1900.

Biographical notes on the former Secretaries of the Treasury depicted on the new Documentary Revenues are given by Kent B. Stiles in the April *Scott's Monthly Journal*. Some important men are depicted on the series and it is unfortunate that the high values prevent, at least for some time, the collecting of these.

Collectors of blocks need not be sorry they can't afford the high value revenues. As was customary in the past, the new \$30 to \$1,000 portrait series are issued in strips of four—with plenty of straight edges!

James L. Taylor, Jr. reports the 5c variety of the U.S.-Canadian Reciprocal Cachet which we mentioned in the April 19 NOTES. The 5c marking is well known. Certain denominations of these postmarks are well known, others seem to have had very limited use. Termed "Reciprocal Cachets" they were stamped on mail matter to indicate if postage was prepaid or if the foreign service receiving the letter at exchange point should be charged the unpaid amount. They were not used, except through indifference or error as cancellations.

An immaculate original fully gummed copy of the 90c 1869 is included among the lots in Herman Herst, Jr.'s May 24 auction. Unusual in such condition, this stamp will attract much attention, particularly since its centering is almost superb and color is bright and fresh.

Ohlman Galleries May 6th sale featured a sheet of 110 of the current 3c Presidential. The sheet had an extra row of stamps and the gutter between panes, caused by incorrect cutting at the Bureau of a sheet of 400 into post office panes.

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Lot 26 in Ohlman Galleries May 6 featured an unusual item which we do not recall seeing mentioned previously. The cover bore a label reading "This piece of mail was damaged through the sinking of the Penn. R. R. ferryboat 'Chicago' which occurred at about 12:45 A.M. on Oct. 31st, 1899" and signed "Cornelius Van Cott, P. M." Anyone who has watched the maze of ferryboat traffic in New York's waterways would wonder that more such covers would not be found.

Someone asked what the plate numbers were of the two plates made in 1935 for new printings of the then current 10c Postal Savings bank stamps. Fred Hawkins of Canton states they were numbers 21485 and 21486, 400-subject flat plate with plate numbers at sides as well as top and bottom (eight positions in all.) In imitating the original 1910 printing the Bureau resurrected the fancy imprint "Bureau of Engraving and Printing" which in pre-World War days was found accompanying the plate numbers on sheets. The plates were laid down in November 1935 and went to press the following January and constituted the current issue until the present May 1, 1941 issue.

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A Record of New Issues

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UNITED STATES — Documentary Revenue Stamps. Further values in the series chronicled by us March 15th and April 5th., and supplementing our notes of December 23, 1940. Types of 1917-33, overprinted in black in small condensed type "SERIES 1940". Wmkd., double-lined U. S.I.R., perf. 11:

- R22—3c. rose pink
- R22—5c. rose pink
- R22—8c. rose pink
- R22—10c. rose pink
- R21—8c. rose

Types of 1940, new designs, engraved, size 19x22mm. Overprinted same as above "SERIES 1940":

- R23—4c. carmine (Albert Gallatin)
- R23—40c. carmine (Louis McLane)
- R23—80c. carmine (Roger B. Taney)

Size 21½x36¼mm., overprinted same as above "SERIES 1940":

- R24—23c. carmine (Walter Forward)
- R24—44c. carmine (J. C. Spencer)

Stock Transfer Revenue Stamps. Types of 1940, engraved, watermarked double-lined U.S.I.R., perf. 11, overprinted same as above "SERIES 1940"; size 19x22mm:

- ST1—1c. bright green (Alexander Hamilton)
- ST1—2c. bright green (Oliver Wolcott)
- ST1—4c. bright green (Albert Gallatin)
- ST1—20c. bright green (Richard Rush)
- ST1—25c. bright green (S. D. Ingham)
- ST1—40c. bright green (Louis McLane)

Size 21½x36¼mm.:
ST2—\$10. bright green (R. J. Walker)

Size 28½x42mm.:
ST2—\$30. bright green (T. Corwin)

- ST2—\$50 bright green (James Guthrie)
- ST2—\$60 bright green (H. Cobb)
- ST2—\$100. bright green (P. F. Thomas)
- ST2—\$1,000. bright green (S. P. Chase)

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

AUSTRALIA—2nd Re-engraving. The under-noted stamp has again been re-engraved. The chief difference is the heavy shading of the wattle leaves to left and right of crown and heavier and

more numerous dots of shading on the King's face. Perforation is also different being 14½x14. Design is ½mm. wider being 20x24mm. Watermarked C of A and Crown multiple. Engraved:

A27—3d. deep blue

(R. Roberts)

BOLIVIA—Commemoratives. Additional values to go with the one noted by us April 26th. 15c. is horizontal. The other two vertical rectangular format. Perf. 10½, unwmkd:

10c. chocolate brown (Statue of Marillo)

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BULGARIA—German Occupation. The Famous Bulgarian Commemoratives, noted by us February 22nd, have been overprinted "1.3.1941" to denote German occupation:

- A178—1L. blue green
A179—2L. bright carmine
A180—3L. deep red brown
A181—4L. red orange
A182—7L. deep blue
A183—10L. deep red brown

(O. E. DeSio)

CAMEROONS—Free France Overprints. Under-noted stamps have been overprinted "CAMEROON FRANCAIS 27.8.40":

- A6—50c. light-green & cerise
A7—5fr. brown & black on bluish
A7—10fr. orange & violet
A7—20fr. rose & olive green
A18—1.25fr. carmine lake
A18—2.25fr. ultramarine
A19—2c. black brown
A19—3c. magenta
A19—4c. deep ultramarine
A19—5c. red brown
A19—10c. deep blue green
A19—15c. rose red
A19—20c. plum
A20—25c. black brown
A20—30c. dark red
A20—40c. ultramarine
A20—45c. slate green
A20—60c. peacock blue
A20—70c. plum
A21—80c. Prussian blue
A21—90c. Prussian blue
A21—1.25fr. carmine rose
A21—1.40fr. orange red
A21—1.50fr. chocolate
A21—1.60fr. black brown
A21—1.75fr. dark blue
A21—2.25fr. dark blue
A22—5fr. black brown
A22—10fr. bright red violet
A22—20fr. dark green

Semi-Postals. Under-noted overprinted same as above, with additional wording "OEUVRES DE GUERRE":

- A7—2fr. on 1.25 fr. gray & deep blue
A7—3fr. on 1.75fr. dark blue & light blue
A7—5fr. on 2fr. dull green & brown orange

PROVISIONALS. Probably for airmail. Surcharged with new value and overprinted "SPITFIRE":

- A20—5fr. on 25c. black brown
A20—5fr. on 45c. slate green
A20—5fr. on 60c. peacock blue
A20—5fr. on 70c. plum

(New York Times)

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Bohemia and Moravia. Addition to recent pictorial series: 8k. gray black (Kremsier Cathedral)

Military Stamps. Small size, bearing letters "D. M. S. and Z." in the corners, with figure of value in center, within a wreath:

- 30h. brown
40h. dark blue
50h. green
60h. dark green
80h. orange
1k. dark brown
1.20k. scarlet
1.50k. blue
2k. light blue
3k. olive
4k. red
5k. yellow

(New York Times)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—New Designs. Lithographed locally, perf. 12, unwatermarked. The 1c. is horizontal, the other two vertical format:

- 1c. green (Fortress Trujillo)
2c. carmine (Statue of Columbus)
10c. sepia (same as 2c.)

(The Stamp Mart)

FRANCE—Provisional. Under-noted design, first chronicled by us March 15th.,

overprinted in blue "Plus 10c.":

- 10c. on 1fr. carmine (Marshall Petain)
(The Stamp Mart)

FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA—Free French Overprints. Three types of overprint have been used as are as follows: Type 1. Inscribed "AFRIQUE FRANCAISE LIBRE" in two lines of 10 point Scotch Roman condensed capitals. First line Afrique Francaise 30mm. long second line Libre 8mm. long. "L" of Libre under "E" of Afrique. 2mm. space between lines of overprint. Type 2. "LIBRE" in 6 point Gothic capitals 8mm. long. Type 3. Inscribed Afrique Francaise Libre in two lines of 8 point Antique bold condensed capitals and small letters. First line Afrique Francaise 25mm. long. second line Libre 6½mm. long. "L" of Libre under "E" of Afrique. Space of 1mm., between lines of overprint. Overprint in either red or black:

- A1—1c. brown & yellow (Type 1 red)
A1—2c. violet & green (Type 1 red)
A1—3c. blue & yellow (Type 1 red)
A1—5c. dark green & light green (Type 1 red)
A2—10c. magenta & blue (Type 1 black)
A2—15c. blue & buff (Type 1 red)
A2—20c. brown & yellow (Type 1 red)
A2—25c. copper-red & blue (Type 1 black)
A3—30c. gray green & green (Type 2 red)
A2—35c. deep green & yellow (Type 1 red)
A3—40c. copper red & blue (Type 2 black)
A3—45c. deep green & yellow green (Type 2 red)
A3—50c. brown & yellow (Type 2 red)
A3—55c. purple & blue (Type 2 red)
A3—60c. maroon & gray-blue (Type 2 black)
A4—65c. dark blue & light green (Type 2 black)
A4—70c. deep violet & buff (Type 2 black)
A4—80c. brown & yellow (Type 2 black)
A4—90c. copper red & buff (Type 2 black)
A3—1fr. cerise & dull orange (Type 2 black)
A5—1.40fr. dark brown & pale green (Type 2 black)
A5—1.50fr. dark blue & light green (Type 2 black)
A5—1.60fr. deep violet & buff (Type 2 black)
A5—1.75fr. brown & yellow (Type 2 black)
A6—2.15fr. brown, violet & yellow (Type 2 black)
A6—2.25fr. blue & light blue (Type 2 red)
A6—2.50fr. rose-lake & buff (Type 2 black)
A6—3fr. dark blue & buff (Type 2 red)
A6—10fr. dark violet & blue (Type 2 red)
A6—20fr. olive black & dull yellow (Type 2 red)
AP1—2.50fr. green & buff (Type 3, black)
AP2—4.50fr. copper red & blue (Type 3, black)
AP2—6.50fr. blue & light green (Type 3 black)
AP2—8.50fr. red-brown & yellow (Type 3, black)

The five missing values of the foregoing set, are expected to be received soon. The cover bearing the foregoing was postmarked January 18, 1941.

(Ben Hamilton, Jr.)

RUSSIA—Military Set. 15k. and 45k. are horizontal, rest of values vertical rectangular format. Perf. 12½, unwmkd:

- 5k. purple (Ski Troops)
10k. dark ultramarine (Naval)
20k. red (Cavalry)
15k. emerald green (artillery)
30k. sepia (Infantry)
45k. olive green (Horseman taking the hurdle)
50k. ultramarine (Aviation)
1R. blue-green (Badge of Merit)

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*353.....1.35	015......30	*U101.....2.70
*355.....1.60	022......35	*U107.....3.40
*356.....24.50	023......90	*U135.....10.00
358.....2.10	*023.....1.00	U244.....1.25
*366.....26.00	*025.....1.00	*U255.....1.50
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Oregon Stamp Wanted

Congressman Walter Pierce of Oregon has introduced a joint resolution in Congress for a commemorative stamp for the centennial in 1943 of the founding of civil government in Oregon and arrival of first wagon train at the Columbia River. W. P. Campbell, writing in the *Columbian* (Vancouver, Wash.) suggests as probable first day city little Champoege, Oregon where by a majority of one vote the whole Northwestern Territory became United States territory.

Philately and Espionage

Number one of the *Bulletin of the Miraflores Philatelic Club of Peru* contains a short item about a selection of fifty stamps which was detained by English censors. The stamps were sent from the U. S. and destined to one of the belligerent countries. The stamps were mounted five to a line and upon checking, the astute censors found that if the first letter of the name of the countries issuing those stamps were used in that sequence the following message resulted: "S. S. Iowa sailing N. Y. Feb. ten munitions and supplies for Brest." The first row of stamps comprised stamps in this order: "Spain, Samoa, India, Obock, Wurtemberg; the second line was: Australia, Selangor, Antigua, India, Lebanon, etc.

The Poet's Corner

PENNY BLACK SHEEP

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Their talk is full of "perforation,"
"Well centered," "errors," "cancellation."
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From sunup until after dark
They speak of "grid" and "watermark,"
And when they cry, "What say? Let's swap!"
It's much the best to call a cop.
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And may I show you my collection?

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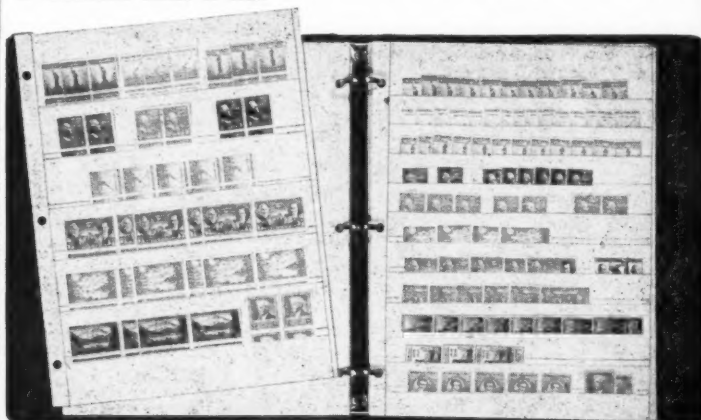
● Air mail for Crete, seat of the refugee Greek government, is still being sent. The rate is 70c per half ounce and such mail is

forwarded via the trans-Pacific air route, then by steamer to Capetown and then onward by air to Cairo, Egypt.

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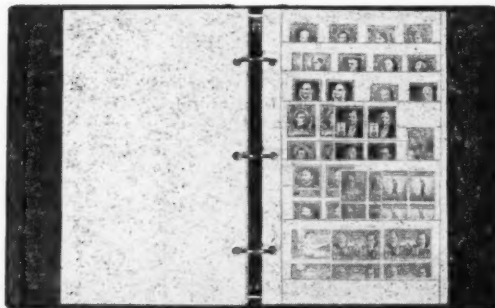
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One New York importer managed to make connections with the group who control the supply on the Ceylon provisional, which was issued last December, and secured a thousand copies. This was the first large shipment which was received to date. Of course the stamp is selling at a tremendous figure when compared to its face value.

With new changes in colors on the various British Colonies to-date there will be a few sleepers among the replaced items. The "wise Boys" are trying to complete their stocks while current prices are unchanged.

The plate number collectors of U. S. stamps are buying the Defense Savings stamps for their collections, as these stamps were assigned current numbers by the Bureau of Engraving. At various post offices, I have been told that many people have purchased the plate block. One clerk showed me 10 full sheets of the 25c stamp with just the plate block gone. A plate block on the \$1.00 value has a face of \$30.00, this being the only value printed by flat plate process.

Incidentally many collectors used these stamps on covers. As a result they have May 1, 1941., postmarks, which is the first day of issue. Some of the local clubs are trying to get a movement under way to have these Defense stamps declared valid for postal duty thereby securing recognition for them as postage stamps.

Well, the first portion of the Edward S. Knapp collection was put on sale this week, 3,100 lots will go in 11 sessions, held afternoons and evenings with a single session on the sixth day. The high spot of the collection will come up during the third afternoon session. This is the portion of the collection dealing with the postal history of the west from the discovery of gold, through the outbreak of the Civil War.

MINT NEW ISSUES

Germany:—Hitler and Mussolini	30
—Leipzig Fair	28
—Vienna Fair	28
ITALY:—Hitler & Mussolini (Com. 6) ..	40
FRANCE:—20 Franc on 50 Franc	
Ader Provisional scarce.....	1.50
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—10 on 20 Franc Provisional.....	55
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Museum Given Collection

Collectors of stamps of South Africa will be interested in a news item from the January 9 issue of the *Sunday Times* in Cape-town which was recently received in Hartford. Mr. Albert Jurgens, one of the foremost South African philatelic experts has given his collection to the museum in Cape-town.

Forty years ago Mr. Jurgens walked into a government office in Capetown and saw one of the staff carrying out sacks of old letters and envelopes. He became curious and asked the man what he was going to do with that stuff, and the reply was that it was rubbish to be taken to the dump. He finally persuaded the man to sell it to him at 2s6d a bag, and when he examined his nine bags of rubbish, he found the nucleus of his present collection. One example of a letter stamp found in the bags brought £21 at a recent auction in London. The collection includes a complete set of Cape Triangles and letters to Van Riebeck and other Cape commanders and governors. The collection recalls the early letters of South Africa when the receiver of a letter had to pay the postage. There is a complete set of stamps used during the Mafeking siege and complete collections of the stamps used during the Dutch and subsequent English Occupation of Vryburg. Also of interest are the early revenue stamps some of which are on addressed envelopes.

Mr. Jurgens and his daughter the late Miss Barbara Jurgens have worked for years on this collection, and it is a complete philatelic record of Cape postage from 1792 to Union and is said to be the only complete record of a country's postal history.

—Althea Harvey.

British Empire Forecasts

The *KenMore Collector* reports additional changes in British Empire issues are in the offing. Australia, despite predictions, has retained its postal rates at same levels, so only new stamp expected is a 2 shilling to complete the present series. Others, some of which may have reached our readers by this time, include these changes: Bahamas 1d, 2d and 3d color changes; Barbados 1d color change; Bermuda 2½ d color change; India postage rate increased internally from 1 anna to 1½ annas and Empire from 2½a to 3½a and changes in air rates and Burma in proportion.

Iraq, though nominally an independent kingdom, had a series of 18 values under order and expected at any time. These were to replace the current series depicting the late King Ghazi. The current warfare in the country will probably affect this issue, depending on which side is successful, as the stamps were being printed in England.

● A patron of the Italian post office was arrested in 1904 for using forged stamps, which was proven. Investigation showed he had purchased the stamps at the post office and eventually it was learned that for several months an official had sold them without detection.

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The KVOO stamp program has been heard continuously by listeners throughout the southwest and central states since it first went on the air as a station sustaining feature in January 1939. Now in its third year of continuous weekly broadcast, the program is conducted regularly by the KVOO Stamp Man, an anonymous radio personality.

The Stamp Man's stories are built around the adventure, romance and dramas of the pictures revealed on stamps. The progress of the World War as it ties in with the postage stamp issues of the nations affected, new issue news, interviews with prominent collectors, and a weekly biography of one of the characters portrayed on the Famous American series, have been late features.

● One of the six known proof copies of the \$6 1894 U. S. Newspaper stamp is included in the May 17 Cosmos Stamp Co. auction sale. A fine copy of the 4c British Guiana companion stamp to the rare 1c is also included in the sale which contains hundreds of other unusual and rare items.

Rene Fonck Covers Found

Twelve covers, grim reminders of the first attempt at non-stop flight between New York and Paris, have just been acquired by Norman Serphos, president of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co., Inc. Unknown to collectors for fourteen years, these souvenirs of Captain Rene Fonck's disastrous adventure had been in the keeping of the Coroner of Mineola County, L. I., from September, 1926, until late in 1940.

In 1926, long distance flights were, literally, in the air, and one of the great goals was a non-stop New York to Paris flight. Raymond Orteig, sportsman and proprietor of the Lafayette and Brevoort hotels in New York, had offered a prize of \$25,000 for the first successful effort.

Captain Fonck, world war ace and famous flyer secured the necessary backing and, with a crew of three, Lieutenant Lawrence W. Curtain of Washington, co-pilot, Jacob Islamoff, mechanic and Charles Clavier, radio operator, prepared to take off from Roosevelt Field early in the morning of September 21, 1926.

The Sikorsky plane carried 2,380 gallons of gasoline. The plane left the ground, settled, crashed and burst into flames. Fonck and Curtain escaped but Islamoff and Clavier were caught in the blazing fuselage and perished.

Only twelve covers, some stamped, others not, were carried. The stamped covers were cancelled at Westbury, L. I., September 15th. All of these, some with the edges burned, were found in Clavier's wallet and impounded by the Coroner. They were not seen again until November 9, 1940, when they were sold in an auction sale of unclaimed corner's deposits in the Mineola Police Building. The covers, and Clavier's passport, also in the wallet, were bought by Maurice Cohen, who sold them to Mr. Serphos.

One unstamped envelope, addressed to Mr. Robert E. Blum of the Paris office of Abraham and Straus, contained a letter stating that the covers were being stowed away "In the pockets of one of the crew of the transatlantic flight—Charles Clavier, the radio operator."

—Scott's Monthly Journal

1838 Sydney Stamp

A detailed account of the Sydney, New South Wales embossed postage stamp of 1838 is given by Dr. H. E. Radasch in the April *Collectors Club Philatelist*. Little has been written about this stamp which was embossed in a colorless impression on letter sheets and sold to the public in that manner for a number of years commencing in 1838; for local use only. The stamp continued in use until appearance of the Sydney View adhesives in 1850 and remainders withdrawn in 1852, says Dr. Radasch. The article illustrates what must have been the commonest use of the stamp, it being embossed on private envelopes handed in by mailers at the post office. Despite the apparent considerable use, few copies are known today. As mentioned in an article some months ago in LINN'S the 50th anniversary of the stamp was commemorated by a postal card issued by New South Wales in 1888.



By Kenneth M. Gierhart
Baltimore, Ohio

JACKSON COIL.

The 3c Stuart coil from Jackson, Miss., has been very backward about showing itself. A few were pried loose but the stamp is still selling for a dollar or over whenever available. In the May issue of the FORUM Berton Hoover cautions the brothers to be careful as a rumor goes the rounds that enough of the coils will soon be available to keep the price within reason. We hope Bert is Right.

NUMBER OF PLATES.

It has been a deep dark mystery to the brothers just how many precancelling plates were used by the bureau for each city. It was known that some cities had more than one set but just how many and if any were held in reserve etc. was not known. The Precancel Stamp Society has been building up a mutual understanding with the Department 'till a confidence has been established that such data can be obtained. Mr. Wilson P. Smith has secured the list of plates replaced with the new narrow plates and hopes to keep the list up to date. This list you will find in the May issue of the FORUM.

NOTES.

The new NARROW plate for New York City comes in two lines instead of three lines a B-11 instead of a B-13.---An auction catalog with a 2c Defense Waterloo N. Y. in U129N;---THE DEFENSE stamps both city types and bureaus are THE THING right now.---The May Meeting of the Central Ohio Precancel Club, Sunday May 18th.

CERES, CALIF.

Mr. Adam Gruenig of the above place sends me a 1c Defense from the home town in U-120 type and some notes about the place. Ceres, a thriving town of 1300 about 90 miles east of San Francisco, has a third class P. O. In the center of a highly developed farming district under irrigation. Peaches, Apricots and Grapes as well as Poultry and Dairying are the chief products. The Ceres Hardware Co. is the user of the precancels. How about your town??? We will write it if you let us know about it.

Stamp Club Activities

Chicago, Ill.—With its 1300th meeting on May 1 the Chicago Philatelic Society moved to new quarters in the Hotel Atlantic on Clark Street at Jackson Boulevard. The club will continue to meet on first and third Thursdays.

NAJEX Winners—Winners of the National Junior Exhibition were the Owl Philatelic Society of Roxbury, Mass. which was awarded the 1941 cup for high score of 21 points; Star Philatelic Society of the Bronx, N. Y. second award for 20 points and St. Theresa's Junior Stamp Club of Brooklyn third with 19 points. Individual wards were made in two groups, ages 8 to 13 and 14 to 18.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—The Bay Ridge Stamp Society will hold its Annual Members Exhibit at the club rooms at 7602 Fourth Ave., on May 20. Visitors are welcome. Refreshments will be served. During April the members collected by means of donations over 20,000 stamps which have been distributed to the sick in nearby hospitals. Annually this club sets aside a month for stamp donations, and it seems like an idea meriting adoption in other cities.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa—The quarterly exhibit and banquet of the Cedar Rapids Stamp Club and the Cedar Rapids Coin Club will be held Sunday, June 22 at the Hotel Montrose. The show will open at 10 A. M. with the banquet at 12:30 P. M. at which J. Edward Vining, President of the S. P. A. will be speaker. At 2 P. M. there will be a club auction. The exhibition closes at 5 P. M. This club meets on first and third Mondays regularly at the Montrose.

● On May 31 the post office of Rural, Ala. will close. On June 30 the same fate overtakes Gowdy, Miss. and Dominion, Wash.

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Somaliland To Have New Series

The *Philatelic Magazine* of London states the Italians seized a quantity of British Somaliland stamps which were left behind at Berbera, the capital of British Somaliland, when the British evacuated the town under fire of the Italians. The Crown Agents have therefore decided to issue a new series of stamps to prevent fraudulent use of the looted stamp stock. It is said the total lost is not large. The new series will have a full-face portrait of the King, in contrast to the previous series with side-face portrait. There

is no report yet if the Italians employed the stamps obtained by overprinting them. It is not unlikely that this may have been done as the capture of Berbera was the first outstanding Italian victory in the African war. The forces capturing the stamps have since been routed but the Viceroy and his main forces have not yet been defeated or captured in any decisive engagement. Fate of the stamps is for the present a mystery.

● The post office of Bancroft, Kansas, will be discontinued May 31.

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